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To: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Subject: RE: Azarga Uranium/Black Hills, South Dakota

Thank you for emailing me your comments on the draft UIC Dewey-Burdock permitting actions. I have added your email to the list of public comments received. I have also added you to my contact list to keep you informed on future EPA activities related to these proposed actions.

Thank you!

Valois

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Sent: Sunday, May 14, 2017 11:45 AM **To:** Shea, Valois <Shea. Valois@epa.gov>

Subject: Azarga Uranium/Black Hills, South Dakota

To: Valois Shea

As a resident of Rapid City, SD and an American citizen, I implore the EPA to <u>deny</u> Azarga Uranium company the rights to establish an ISL uranium mine and to build a processing plant in South Dakota. This denial request is based on many reasons, the foremost being the integrity of all aquifer water supplies in the area. Clean drinking water should be nothing less than a national security issue that needs utmost protection and monitoring. No company can guarantee the safety of water supplies after in situ mining has taken place, and based on that fact alone should be cause enough to stop this project. The fact that Azaga Uranium company is heavily financed by a Chinese investment fund under investigation by the Chinese government should red flag the EPA to also investigate the company itself. The transportation of uranium is a whole other security issue that must be addressed, as are the chemicals used in the extraction process. Also, the EPA should evaluate the cleanup plans Azarga has in case of any spill, leak and/or contamination.

This project will most heavily impact the indigenous peoples on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation and their health and rights should be an utmost priority in the decision making process.

The negative impacts far outweigh any positive ones and clearly highlights the need for this project to be shut down permanently. Please act in favor of protecting of the health of our nation, its people, wildlife and the earth.

Respectfully Yours,	
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